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## Road Maps for Mainstreaming Ageing

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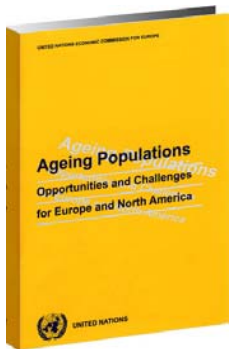
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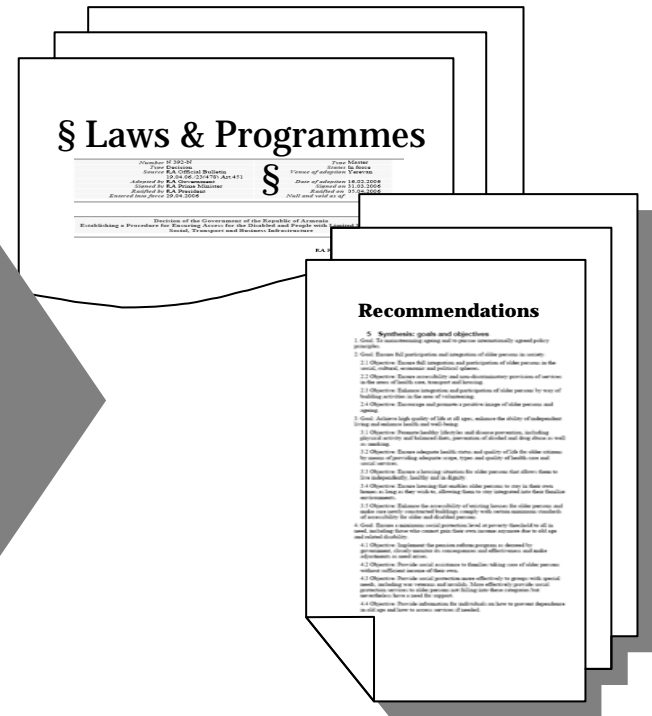


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# Road Maps for Mainstreaming Ageing



Translate internationally agreed MIPAA/RIS commitments into actions that consider the circumstances of the country



- Improve ageing-related policies and programmes
- Specific goals, targets and actions
- Feasible within constraints of each country's economic, political and social circumstances
- Taking into account existing capacities & areas where capacities need to be enhanced
- All policy areas on all levels
- All stakeholders
- Participatory approach
- Evidence-based.



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## **Road Map: policy areas**

- Integration and participation of older persons
- Social protection
- Health
- Housing and independent living
- Education
- Labour market
- Gender
- Monitoring and evaluation
- Involvement of stakeholders
- Outreach and public awareness-raising
- Research and data collection
- Integration into international processes



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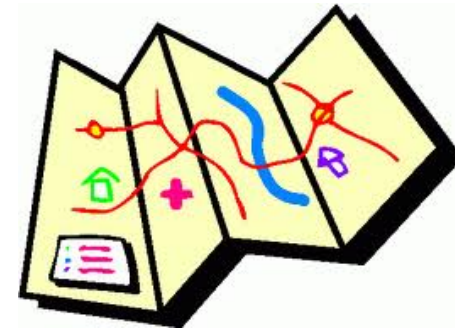
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## Road Maps - Preparation



- **Desk Study:** analyse the country's ageing situation based on available publications, documents and data
- **Field Study:** verify the findings of the desk study and identify additional factors; interviews with government officials and other stakeholders
- **Road Map report:** document drafted by UNECE and additional experts, providing guidance for future steps; review by local experts and a discussion in the UNECE Working Group on Ageing; launch and press release.



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## Current Status: **Armenia**

- Final report of Road Map project written and approved by Armenia
- Produced in parallel with Armenia's National Strategy and Action Plan on Ageing
  - (will be included as annexes in print version of Road Map)
- No substantial changes can be made now
- Need approval of Working Group in order to move ahead with publication.





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## Current Status: **Republic of Moldova**

- **Desk study completed early 2010**
  - Documents provided by Moldovan contacts
  - Research by UNECE secretariat
- **Two field visits: March and June 2010**
  - Interviews and focus groups with ministries, civil society, private sector, trade unions, academia, media, international organisations
- **Informal Working Group established**
  - Ms. Larisa Rotaru of Ministry for Labour, Social Protection & The Family; representatives of UNFPA Moldova; local expert from Institute of European Integration and Political Science at Moldova Academy of Sciences; UNECE Secretariat
  - Consultants engaged to draft sections on specialised areas
  - UNECE Secretariat drafting other sections and collating report
- **Full first draft** to be ready for review by Moldovan representatives early 2011.



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## Current Status: Republic of Moldova (contd.)



- Sections already drafted or to be drafted by secretariat and 3 external experts:
  - Integration of older persons in society
  - Public perceptions of ageing and the image of older persons in the media
  - Quality of life at all ages, independent living, health and well-being
  - Housing and Independent Living
  - Social protection
  - Sustainable economic growth and development
  - Labour market
  - Education and life-long learning
  - Migration/returning migrants
  - Intergenerational solidarity
  - Stakeholder participation
  - Institutional framework
  - Research and data collection landscape
  - Monitoring and evaluation.



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## Future Work: Continuation of Project in Republic of Moldova

- Collating thematic sections into a coherent document
- Streamlining and editing document
- Sharing drafts with country team and reworking as needed
- Approval from Working Group Bureau May 2011
- Completion, launch, implementation
- ...evaluation.



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## Future Work: **Evaluation in Armenia**

- One year after adoption of Road Map in Armenia, UNECE undertakes to assist the country in evaluating its implementation
- Hand-in-hand with Armenia's National Strategy and Action Plan
- Input on suggested evaluation mechanisms is welcome.





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# Future Work: **Initiation of Project in a third country**

- **Expressions of interest are welcome**
  - Formal or informal
  - Overview of current situation re ageing & MIPAA/RIS and how a Road Map might help
  - To initiate the project a formal request is required from government
- **Interested member states need to:**
  - Be committed to implementing MIPAA/RIS
  - Designate a national focal point on ageing & co-ordinator for Road Map
  - Facilitate establishment of contacts, provision of documents & translation, press coverage & dissemination
  - Implement the actions recommended by the Road Map and undergo evaluation
- **To begin process in second half of 2011**



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Thank you